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Thousands Attend CIO Baseball Night

Private Controls Prevent Low Prices

OPA Replaced By Market Operators In Foodstuffs

By Ollie Pecord

SAN DIEGO, California, July 19—Price decreases predicted in the JOURNAL last week in an article from Montana have come off, but not as anticipated either by the government or private sources. While the prices of some meats have decreased, they have been small cuts kept under control by the market operators.

Out here, despite the fact that prices of most commodities are lower than in the East, meat is high and plentiful. Pork is shorter, but the supply is expected to take a sudden rise by the week-end.

Results of private control over meat prices was fittingly demonstrated this week in Omaha, Nebraska, when thousands of pigs and cattle reached that city, forcing prices down from $2 to $3 a hundred pounds on hogs and $1 to $2 on cattle.

Farmers Get Hooked

As might be expected, the drop in the price of beef and pork is not reflected in lower meat prices to the consumers. Farmers who had been holding their livestock for destruction of OPA price controls in their anxiety to unload did so, and all at the same time. The result was that in one day 12,000 cattle and 14,000 hogs reached the Omaha market in the heat of the day and hundreds of them died due to the crowded conditions of the cars and trucks in temperatures that ranged from 90 to 100 degrees.

Just one year ago, only 4000 of each were received at the same market. Thus, the prices paid the farmers was disappointing to them after waiting for so long to reap the harvest of dollars which they had been led to believe by the meat packers would occur, if they would string along with the meat packing industry in attempting to kill off price control.

What Reaction

What the reaction of the farmers to the lowering of meat prices (for them) will be is doubtful although the farmers

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Hillman's Successor

NEW YORK (LPA) — Sidney Hillman's successor as president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO will be Jacob S. Potofsky, 51-year-old secretary-treasurer of the union since 1940, the Amalgamated's executive board decided unanimously last week.

A close friend of Hillman's and a garment union leader for 30 years, Potofsky promised to carry on "a continuing Hillman policy and a continuing Hillman tradition." Fotofsky will head the Amalgamated until its next convention in the summer of 1948.

Buyers' Strikes Show Results

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The only sign of a break — really only a slowing down — in the upward march of prices last week was the result of a buyers' strike. Retailers and wholesalers alike found that beefsteak and butter at prices only a millionaire could pay were piling up in their refrigerators. On both meat and butter, housewives had been so outraged at the dollar-a-pound prices that they simply refused to buy.

Worst Congress In U. S. History Says Wm. Green

BOSTON (LPA) July 22 — AFL President William Green charged here last week that the present Congress is the worst in American history.

Addressing the 24th convention of the Int'l Brotherhood of Bookbinders, Green declared that "never in the history of our political life was a more reactionary Congress elected by the people of the U. S. than this one that is functioning in Washington now."

Green said that the present Congress "is the worst I have ever known of, it is the worst I have ever seen." He charged that "The reactionary forces in both parties have united for the purpose of making a drive upon labor."

Keynoting the AFL's renewed determination to retire Congressional labor-haters from public life, Green said, "It is my opinion that the liberal forces of the nation and the members of organized labor must unite at the next election and see to it that a large number of these reactionary members of Congress stay at home and are not re-elected.

And I am not engaging in exaggeration when I say that no Congress ever passed a worse anti-labor bill than did this Congress when it passed the Case bill."

Speed Southern CIO Campaign

WASHINGTON (LPA) July 22—The CIO's southern organizing drive, with a completed staff of 293 organizers, is now in full swing, chalking up NLRB election victories in practically every plant where contests have been held, Van A. Bittner director of the campaign, declared here last week.

Bittner said that the drive now has 243 new organizers, 85% of whom are from the south, and 50 organizers who are on the payrolls of various CIO international unions.

"We're proceeding in fine shape toward our goal of 1,000,000 new members in the south," he reported. Organization has proceeded so rapidly, he continued, that no compilation of new membership has been made. "We're organizing night and day," he said. Nearly 30 NLRB elections have gone to the CIO Bittner disclosed that as soon as the workers have been certified by the NLRB they are turned over to the individual CIO international unions.

Bittner startled reporters with the revelation that Alabama has more CIO members in proportion to the total number of industrial workers than any other state.

At Oak Ridge, Tenn., where the CIO's Atomic Workers Organizing Committee is competing with 19 AFL unions, Bittner asserted military dictatorship is in power. "If there is a concentration camp in the U. S. it's at Oak Ridge," he charged.

NAM Plots 20 Billion Robbery

Robbery is the straight word for what sixty American families have been conspiring to do to the wages, savings, and living standards of 36 million other families who also live in this country. Robbery at the $20,000,000,000 level is the reality behind the soothing and hypocritical phrases of the National Association of Manufacturers as it slips the knife into the heart of OPA. Robbery —crude, open and limitless— was what a majority of Congress voted for when it ended price control.

No one can tell exactly how much the attack on price control is going to cost the average Amerian family or how many millions of flooding profits it will bring to the Morgan or the Rockefeller or duPont families.

A 10 per cent increase in prices will clip $12,000,000,000 from the buying power of the American people. A 20 per cent increase will mean $24,000,000,000 soaked up in profits—$24,000,000,000 dollars bitterly needed for food and homes and jobs and the future security of the nation.

Supply And Demand?

"There may be a temporary lift in prices," says the NAM comfortably, "but the laws of supply and demand will bring them back down again soon enough."

Actually not the laws of supply and demand but the NAM itself will be controlling prices if we allow OPA to be destroyed. Anyone whose economic information is less than a century old knows that the prices of most goods sold to consumers are not set by the pure and impersonal.

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Ohio CIO-PAC Holds Rent Control Meeting

The program of the CIO-PAC for the special session of the State Legislature which met Thursday, July 25, calls for a rent freeze as of June 30, plus increased old age pensions, workmen's compensation and unemployment compensation.

The governor told the committee that he believed a 10 per cent increase in rent was justified, and that he had intended to present bills at the special session calling for increasing of all compensation and pensions, but had been informed that the legislature would not vote favorably on any issue except rent control, and therefore he would not present these bills.

It was the concensus of opinion of the delegates that lobbying will be more effective when the legislators are convinced that the PAC can get the liberal vote out to the polls.

More than 1000 delegates from CIO locals, old age pension clubs, consumers' groups and other organizations throughout the state, met in the Neil House, Columbus, Ohio, on Monday, July 22. The meeting lasted from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Resolutions calling for adequate state price and rent control were adopted.

A representative committee including Richard Lazette of Toledo called on Governor Lausche and presented our requests.

PAC Meeting Monday

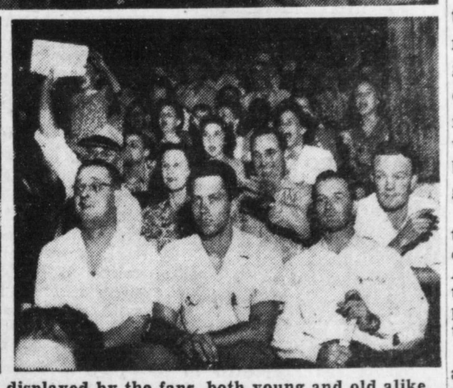
Clem Holewinski, assistant manager of PAC, announces that the regular quarterly meeting of the PAC general membership will be held at 8:00 p. m., Monday, July 29 at the headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

An election of officers for the coming year will be held at this meeting and qualifications of candidates for the November elections will be discussed at this time.

Plans for the October meeting will be discussed and the outline of the fall campaign will be brought before the members.

Officers of the Lucas County PAC are: Richard Gosser, manager; Clem Holewinski, assistant manager; and Clayton Rusch, chairman.

Everyone Enjoys CIO Baseball Night



The photos above show the intense interest displayed by the fans, both young and old alike, at the Second Annual CIO Baseball Night at Swayne Field. Expressions on their faces showed which fans were pulling for the Toledo team to win and which ones were losing on the Saints. The granstand was filled with 9,000 cheering baseball fans.

Typos Seek Wage Increases

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder last week approved a pay raise of 22 cents an hour or $8.80 per 40-hour work week for typographers and pressmen employed by the government's Bureau of Engraving & Printing. Present scale is $1.57 per hour or $62.80 per week.

Negotiations here bogged down, meanwhile, between the Columbia Typographical Union and representatives of 52 local commercial plants, the largest manufacturing industry in the nation's capital.

The Typos are seeking wage increases of almost 100%, from $1.53 an hour to $3 an hour for daywork and 10% additional for each succeeding shift. The union also demanded a 6% reduction in the work week from 37½ hours to 35 hours, except for third shift work in which a 25% reduction to 30 hours is sought. Other major amendments to the contract proposed by the union call for 30 days sick leave pay per year; 3 weeks vacation instead of the one and two weeks at present; seven paid holidays instead of the present four; double-time pay for all overtime and triple-time for Sundays and holidays; severance pay of one week's wages for each six months of employment plus two weeks' pay for the final week of employment.

Reuther Urges Meat-Buying Holiday

Tries Experiment Against Profiteers

Walter P. Reuther, president of the UAW-CIO, called on American consumers to cease buying all meat for one full week beginning Wednesday, July 24, as a means of driving meat prices down.

Reuther's proposal for a general strike against meat was made in addresses he delivered at protest demonstrations against inflation in Detroit and Flint, Michigan. It was part of a three-point program urged by the UAW-CIO president to drive all prices down to OPA levels or lower. The Detroit demonstration in Cadillac Square and the one in Flint, Michigan, were two of nearly 25 held on the same day in communities throughout the United States. Initiated by the UAW-CIO, the demonstrations had the support of other unions, including CIO, AFL, Railroad Brotherhood and independent, and various veterans, civic, church and consumer groups.

Calling attention to the fact that farmers, too, are being gouged by the packers, Reuther appealed to them to join with consumers in the strike against meat by withholding their cattle from the market during that period.

Reuther urged that President Truman veto the present OPA bill and then call a special emergency session of Congress to deal with the price situation as soon as the regular session adjourns.

Following is a summary of the three-point program Reuther proposed:

1. He urged all consumers in the United States to make no purchases of any kind of meat for one full week beginning July 24. In proposing the buyers' holiday on meat purchases he noted that meat prices have risen from 25 to 60 cents a pound in two weeks, and said that millions of families already are unable to buy meat because they are not able to pay 60, 75 cents and a dollar a

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Kiddies Are Thrilled At Swayne Field

By Wilbert A. Rule

It was CIO night, Tuesday, at Swayne Field when 9,000 howling and cheering fans turned out to see the Toledo Mud Hens defeat the Saints of St. Paul in a regular American Association baseball game, by the overwhelming score of 13-0.

Nearly 4,000 Toledo orphans, crippled children, and members of the Local 12 Knothole Gang, who attended the game with the compliments of Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director, and some of the city's business and industrial firms, thrilled each time a Mud Hen ball player made a hit or performed a good play. Especially did they show their enthusiasm when the ball was batted over the fence for a home run.

The kiddies were treated to thousands of bags of peanuts, balloons, and packages of ice cream which were donated by Local 12, UAW-CIO. Paul Spor, theatrical booking agent and popular master of ceremonies, led the kiddies in community singing such songs as, "Hail, Hail, The Gang's All Here," "Take Me Out To The Ball Game," and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." The older people, too, lustily joined in these songs and some groups even got together and harmonized. However, some of the notes were not too sweet.

The entire program for the evening, the sound of the shrill voices of the kiddies, the fine turnout of fans, the entertainment offered to the crowd, and the outcome of the game, especially, were termed as "very favorable" by Director Gosser, who was highly pleased by the showing of the members of the CIO in the large attendance.

The Toledo Mud Hens were paced in their victory by the heavy-hitting of Jerry Witte, Bob Wren, and Paul Lehner, who each drove the ball over the fence for home runs and scored mates ahead of them as the Hens blasted their way to win over the hapless Saints. By the victory, the Mud Hens came out of the cellar and entrenched themselves solidly in the seventh place and the Saints slid into third position in the standings.

When the game was over and the crowds were making for the exits, many of the youngsters crowded around Director Gosser, their friend and benefactor, and asked that they surely be invited to the Third Annual CIO Baseball Night which will be held next year at Swayne Field. Director Gosser told the children that they would most assuredly be his guests next year.

Workers Await NLRB Decision

Gosser Asks Subpoena Of Recording

The National Labor Relations Board has received a notice of protest from the regional UAW-CIO office in the case of the Flxible Company's recently contested election, it was announced early this week by Richard Gosser, UAW regional director.

In the formal objection sent to the NLRB, Director Gosser charged violation of the Wagner Act by the company and cited the speech made to the employees on the eve of the election July 16th.

Intimidation of organizers, anti-union activity on the part of foremen, and attempted "bribery" by a prominent stockholder of the firm, in which the UAW Vice President was promised a good job, a home, and moving expenses to be paid, if he would leave Loudonville, where the Flxible plant is located, were included in the written protest.

The Independent Workers Association, which defeated the UAW by a scant 46 votes, now finds itself in a quandary, with its top officers having tendered their resignations shortly after the election.

A decision from the NLRB will soon be forthcoming as to the validity of the election, and a phonograph recording of the speech of President Hugo H. Young to the workers is the UAW's chief basis of evidence. Director Gosser has asked the board to subpoena the recording in order to study the anti-CIO remarks of the company president.

Common belief of the workers, according to reliable sources, is that if another election were held the CIO would win quite handily.

Pedigrees Come High

closed last week that it has been selling pedigreed pooches at $5000 a pooch by the dozens because "people buy dogs when they can't buy refrigerators and washing machines." Now is the time for all you sharecroppers, mineworkers and stevedores to turn in those Pomeranians for a half-dozen refrigerators.

Harry Bridges' Powers Clipped

SAN FRANCISCO (LPA) — Harry Bridges, president of the Int'l Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union-CIO, was clipped of 50% of his power as California CIO regional director last week when CIO President Philip Murray announced his decision to split the state into two regions and appoint a full-time director for southern California.

The original ILWU statement said, "Harry Bridges announced today in Washington that he was submitting his resignation as CIO director to Philip Murray with the request that the resignation become effective immediately."

PAC To Intensify With 5-Man Board

WASHINGTON, July 22 — (LPA) The CIO Political Action Committee will vastly enlarge and intensify its activity in the political field, the CIO executive board decided here last week.

Instead of naming a single person to succeed the late Sidney Hillman, as chairman of PAC, the CIO named a five-man board headed by Jack Kroll, of Ohio to direct PAC's work. In addition to Kroll, currently president of the Ohio CIO Industrial - Union Council, and a vice-president of the Amalgtd. Clothing Workers, the following were appointed:

David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the United Sttelworkers; Julius Emspack, secretary -treasuer of the United Electrical Workers; George F. Addes, secretary-treasurer of the United Auto Workers: and William Pollock, secretary-treasurer of the Textile Workers.

Six new members were added to the enlarged PAC executive committee: CIO President Philip Murray; James B. Carey, CIO secretary-treasurer; Frank Rosenblum, vice president of the Amalgamated Clothing workers; Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union; William Pollock, secretary-treasurer of the Textile Workers; Allan S. Haywood, CIO organization director; and Reid Robinson, president of the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers.

Present members of PAC who will continue in office are: R. J. Thomas, vice-president of the United Auto Workers; John Green, president of the Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers; L. S. Buckmaster, president of the United Rubber Workers; and Emil Rieve, president of the Textile Workers.

"The CIO is deeply aware," said Murray, "that the work of

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Truman Aids Allis Policy To 'Starve Strikers'

WASHINGTON, July 22 — (LPA) — President Truman last week continued to abet the campaign of the Allis-Chalmers and J. I. Case companies to starve their 24,000 striking workers into submission.

Truman, who has refused to sign the seizure order for government operation of three strikebound plants of Case and seven of Allis-Chalmers, was assailed by new demands that the government take over the two huge farm equipment producers.

Full page ads demading seizure were taken by three CIO unions in daily papers of Washington and other cities. The United Auto Workers, the United Electrical Workers, and the United Farm Equipment Workers told the president that "This strike can be settled at midnight tonight."

The CIO executive board called upon Truman and the Labor Dept. "to take immediate steps to seize these corporations in the interest of producing needed farm equipment." The board's resolution pointed out that the J. I. Case Co., "has refused to even meet with representatives of their employes during the seven months' strike." "Both companies," said the CIO, "have defied the U. S. government, have flouted the public interest and refused to recognize accepted procedure of collective bargaining."

In Chicago the executive board of the Farm Equipment Workers advocated an industry-wide strike if the two disputes are not settled by July 31.

Truman Learns The Hard Way

WASHINGTON (LPA) July 22—Clinching evidence that the Truman administration has learned a bitter lesson on the possibility of obtaining industrial peace thru passage of anti-strike legislation was given last week in the seventh report of the war mobilization and reconversion director. Here are two of the significant passages:

"The attainment of peaceful industrial relations does not rest with legislation. The relations between men and management are human relations.

"Law libraries are full of statutes and court decisions on the conduct of married life. But no statute and no court decision ever made a marriage happy and successful. This is just as true in industrial relations."

Attention!

Women of Region 2-B UAW-CIO

Prepare for

September 13th and 14th

The Strike That Never Ends

The buyers' strike idea is catching on all over the country. It's certainly too early to stop and cheer, but the news is encouraging. The people seem to be developing the kind of interest in the movement that may really pay off.

The war is over. Production is at a high peak and is moving toward higher peaks all the time. According to the figures on the charts, the brave new world of postwar production is at hand. But instead of a brave new world, labor is faced with inflation and a buyers strike to protect itself from the worst of the inflation.

We have to keep reminding ourselves — don't buy the things that we've waited for all these years. Forget the little comforts and conveniences we've been lokoing forward to. Buy only the most important foods. Don't spend a nickel that you don't have to, because every nickel we spend — even for necessities — feeds inflation.

We thought that after the war, the world would be open and free. Instead we have to tell each other, restrain yourself. Say no to the kids, say no to yourself, say no to the family. Say, no, no, no. This is a strike. Thats' what we have to do to win.

First, it was the depression of 1929. Maybe you don't call that a buyers strike, but it ends up at about the same place. We had a country that could produce security and plenty, but the closest most of us got was the wrong side of the plate glass window — outside looking in.

After ten years of that kind of buyers strike, came the war. We had jobs, then. But again we had to tell ourselves, "Go easy. That stuff's not for us. Be patriotic and don't buy. Hold back. Win the war first." That was buyers strike number two, and we did a good job on that one so that the war could end quick — and right.

STRIKE THREE

OK. So we won the war. So we get buyers' strike number three..

Now it's not because of the

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Profiteers Prepare For Killing

WASHINGTON, July 22nd — (LPA) — Attempts at compromise in the fight over a Price Control Act gave no hope that the OPA would emerge from the battle with any controls that could slap down profiteers who have boosted prices on cost of living items an average of 25 per cent in the past two weeks.

There were few things about the Senate's second draft of the price control measure that were improvements over the draft which President Truman vetoed. In many respects, it was worse.

New features included removal of controls on the prices of: livestock, meat and poultry; milk and dairy products; cottonseed, soybeans and their products; grain and feedstuffs; tobacco; and petroleum.

Rent control would be further weakened under the new Senate version by a provision that the federal government could not impose rent ceilings in states which had their own rent control organizations. Many states have much weaker laws than the federal act, many of which would allow rent boosts almost at will, and would leave tenants almost as helpless as if there was no rent ceiling at all.

The two provisions to which President Truman took especial exception in his veto message — the Taft pricing formula amendment, and the Wherry wholesalers' and retailers' markup amendment — were slightly improved, and may be acceptable to the Administration.

Subsidies on food are cut drastically in both the old and new versions, auto and appliance dealers get special treatment in both bills, and the low-cost clothing program is abolished in both measures.

Meanwhile, President Truman told his press conference that prices were going up sharply in the absence of controls, and his Reconversion Advisory Board warned that abandonment of price control would leave the country unprotected "against a dangerous rise in prices." Officials of the Nat'l Association of Manufacturers and U. S. Chamber of Commerce as well as labor and farm groups sit on the Board.

It was more than two months ago that debate began on the OPA extension measure, and prospects seemed dim that there would be any decisive action until shortly before Congress recesses for the summer.

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Sidney Hillman must be carried forward and completed because the nation's interests so desperately require it. This is the supreme hour for intensification of the work so brilliantly commenced by Mr. Hillman. In recognition of its responsibilities in the field of political action, the CIO has therefore decided to intensify its work in this field and to enlarge the apparatus for conducting political action work."

Murray admitted that he had been urged by the board to serve as PAC director but had declined because of the press of his duties as president of both the CIO and the United Steelworkers.

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out here are certainly better organized and less of the rugged individual type than Eastern farmers. One thing is certain, the prices paid to the producers and the cost of food to the consumers will not reflect the conditions of the market.

The buyers' strikes proposed, and in some cases taking place in many sections of the country, may force the meat processors to lower their price a trifle, but if the farmers react as might be expected, there is more likely to be a producers' strike which will crowd both the meat packers and consumers.

It is now apparent that the packers have taken the farmers for a buggy ride and that when the cattle and hog raisers wake up, they, too, will realize what labor has been aware of for many months. Destruction of OPA and farm subsidies under a system supposedly free from control has merely traded governmental controls over prices for private control in which the latter shows no mercy and indiscriminately takes advantage of both the farmer and consumer.

Labor Is Waiting

Out here, labor apparently is waiting to see what is going to take place before taking its position regardng any consumers' strike. Very little is being said in this vicinity by any of the Labor Unions although both CIO and AFL leaders here say they will follow the policy of their Unions both with respect to the consumers' strike and seeking higher wages if high price levels are maintained.

Meanwhile, Governor Warren of this state has called the state legislature into special session for next Monday to set up a state rent control. This action of the governor has tended to slow down rent increases throughout the entire state and will very likely result in a return to previous rentals without, of course, giving the renters any rebate for increases already paid.

Governor Warren is assured the election in the coming fall and apparently is not resting on his laurels. He obviously wants to go higher in the political field.

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laws of competition but by the deliberate combination of the big producers. Not the laws of supply and demand but the decisions of auto industry executives set the price and production levels of the automobile industry.

Permanent Prices

In basic industry production will not expand to increase supply and drive down prices. Therefore, the end of price control will bring a permanent increase in the real prices paid by workers and a permanent and dangerous cut in the real wages received by workers. In addition, there will be a tighter and tighter long-term economic squeeze on small business, small industry, and agriculture.

More and more profit for big business and slimmer pickings for the rest of the nation was the formula of economic disaster in the 1920's. Even more bitter economic fruits will be harvested from the same formula today.

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depression. Now it's not because of the war. Now it's just because the big boys who make things and sell them are out to get every dollar they can away from us, even if they wreck all of us in the process. So protect yourself, your family, and your country. Don't spend your hard earned dollars for shoddy or out of date stuff at inflated prices. Hold on to your money.

The economists believe that the end of the inflation will come with the beginning of the new depression. Up like a rocket; down like the stick. That's been the history of every inflation. There's no reason to think this one will be different.

And that one will be another depression — a strike that millions of people will get into because they just wont' have jobs and money.

PROSPERITY MUST BE PLANNED

Save whatever money you can out of this mess called inflation. You're going to need that money for food today, and maybe for a roof over your head tomorrow. But remember that the fire won't burn itself out till it has destroyed everyhing that millions of families have.

Then, when the depression comes, and we have lots of time on our hands, maybe we will sit down and figure out a way of breaking the chain. Maybe we'll work out some kind of a plan that will give us jobs and dollars — and the right to spend them for a decent honest way of life — all at the same time.

Warns Of Labor Unrest

WASHINGTON, July 22 — (LPA) — CIO President Philip Murray warned Congress last week of the "danger of widespread unrest" if prices continue to rise.

Testifying before a special House Labor subcommittee investigating the basic causes of strikes, Murray declared that Congress has "persisted in legislation against labor and insisted on legislation on matters that had nothing to do with basic strike issues."

There has been ample evidence, Murray said, that major American industries engaged in a conspiracy last fall to disrupt production in order to induce Congress to pass anti-labor legislation.

Emphasizing that "every strike involved firm recalcitrance of employers," Murray said, "In virtually every major industry the strikes have been settled. Major wage patterns of the country have for the present been determined. We have worked out the issues of the immediate postwar months, and management cannot in the main blame strikes today for any defect of production."

New Jeep Station Wagon

Pictures by Foto-Kam

PICNICKER'S DELIGHT—There's plenty of room for the whole family in the new Willys-Overland Jeep Station Wagon, the newest of the jeep group which was introduced today. A sturdy, smooth-running car equipped with an all-steel body the vehicle has a seating capacity of seven. The seats may be removed as shown, both for picnic use, or in the event that the vehicle is to be used for business. The rear-end tail gate provides a handy platform for the picnickers. The car is the first in the new Willys-Overland utility line. It is designed as an all-purpose car.

Willys-Overland Builds Jeep Station Wagon

The new Jeep station wagon, announced today by Willys-Overland Motors, Inc., is an all-steel, seven-passenger, multiple-purpose vehicle designed and priced, its makers declare, to meet the uses war conditions imposed on station wagons, once considered primarily a badge of automotive opulence.

"The Jeep station wagon is a people's car," James D. Mooney, president and board chairman of Willys-Overland declared, "and a lineal descendent of the wartime and later the Universal jeep."

It has a direct appeal, he said, to the farmer, the housewife, the salesman, the small business man. It can haul the family to church or the children to school. It can also carry an unusually large load of almost anything requiring transportation . . . from freight to garden truck, or a large amount of baggage.

Powered by the improved famous Jeep 63 HP Go-Devil engine, the Jeep station wagon also bears a marked facial resemblance to the Universal Jeep. It has a hood that former service men instantly recognize as a familiar symbol of dependability, though the severity of the original Jeep front and design has been greatly lessened under the hands of Brooks Stevens, famous automotive stylist. A year has been devoted to designing, engineering and testing the car.

However, with the engine and front end, the external similarity of the Universal Jeep and the Jeep Station wagon ceases, for while Willys-Overland has built into the station wagon all the sturdiness and power of the Jeep, the company also has made of it in line and color and adornment a smart vehicle. The new car is socially acceptable on the smartest private driveway.

The new station wagon has surprising capacity. Again comparing it with the Universal Jeep, it has a wheel base of 104 inches as against 80 for the Jeep. The station wagon is 174 13/16 inches in overall length against 103 for the Jeep.

Other notable improvements in the engine of the famous Jeep include a heavily counterweighted crank shaft, a gear-driven cam shaft, a new heavy-duty oil pump, a new carburetor and more power. The gear ratio of the rear axle is 4.88 to 1. Brakes are hydraulic and of the self-centering type.

Mounted on a new chassis, the Jeep station wagon carries an engine that has been improved and developed for both power and longevity. New independent wheel suspension is used on the front, which gives beautiful riding qualities to the car. A large hypoid axle and new type of leaf spring for carrying the chassis in the rear constitute the rear suspension. The 104-inch wheel base, while 24 inches longer than the Jeep wheel base, still has a very short turning radius, making the vehicle extremely maneuverable in small areas. The ride is all that can be desired, and is unsurpassed by any light car. It is a vehicle built for low upkeep and top gas mileage.

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pound. Everyone will be able to buy meat again at reasonable prices, Reuther stated, if all consumers will cut meats entirely out of their menu for just one week.

Predicting that this action will cause considerable losses to packers and wholesalers, Reuther said he hoped that large losses would teach this profiteering industry that it cannot exploit the American public without feeling the power of consumers to strike back.

Scandal Exposes Dealers In Death

WASHINGTON (LPA)—What started as an Arabian Nights tale of how two brothers pyramided a borrowed letterhead into a fabulous munitions empire with $78,000,000 in war contracts last week exploded into a scandal dwarfing even the epic Teapot Dome.

Figuring in the sordid drama were $3,520,000 in excess war contracts profits attempts to bribe a U. S. Senator; charges that Rep. Andrew J. May (D., Ky.) sought contract favors for the "paper empire"; salaries totaling $1,380,000 to four company officials; financial dealings with gamblers and the underworld; an "E" War production award termed by Sen. Mead (D., N. Y.) a "disgrace"; lavish $19,000 parties with costly gifts as favors, and other irregularities, as numerous as they were fantastic.

Using the borrowed letterhead, Henry M. Garsson obtained a $1,000,000 contract for a mythical Erie Basin Metal Products, Inc. to produce shells at a non-existent plant. Henry Garsson, who was indicted in 1926 for accepting a $5000 bribe while serving as an Internal Revenue agent, was soon joined by his brother Murray Garsson who had a 25-year criminal record.

Chicago Paper Labeled "Red"

CHICAGO (LPA)—AFL and CIO leaders here branded as "Communist" a new weekly paper. The Chicago Star, scheduled to begin publication shortly under the editorship of Carl Hirsch, midwest correspondent for the Daily Worker, N. Y. CP daily.

Chicago labor leaders who were reported to have condemned a movement to persuade workers to cash in war bonds and buy shares in the newpaper included: Secretary-Treasurer Lewis J. Clark, United Packinghouse Workers-CIO Joseph Germano, district director, International Union-AFL; and Harry O'Reilly, AFL regional organization director. O'Reilly said the paper does not have the endorsement of either the AFL or the Chicago Federation of Labor "All workers should be wary," he asserted.

Communists Cause CIO Leader to Quit

NEW YORK (LPA)—The first instance in CIO history of an international president resigning because of Communist control of his union occurred when Morris Muster, president of the United Furniture Workers-CIO, abdicated his post and notified CIO President Philip Murray that he was also resigning as member of the CIO National Executive Board.

Muster, who less than two months ago was re-elected for a two year term, was immediately joined in resigning by Bernard Hiatt, UFW organizer for the southern district which has a membership of 6000. The union membership is 42,000.

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Seeing Eye—W-O Unit

The officers and members of the Willys Unit would like to offer their sympathy to Brother Wm. Eckam who repairs and sets all the clocks in the Willys Overland, because of the death of his wife on July 8th, at the age of seventy-six.

It is beginning to look as though the workers of the W. O. will be able to enjoy their leisure hours to a fuller extent when they will be able to purchase one of the new station wagons. They look fine and they operate and ride the same way. Let's hope they get into a big enough production that every member can buy one.

Did you attend the OPA rally in Courthouse Square Tuesday, July 16th? If not, you missed a fine flow of oratory. We still think after viewing the mammoth crowd which was underestimated by our daily papers; that the consumers strike is doing a fine job. We hope it is kept up till big business has to use all the ten cent handkerchiefs that now sell for thirty-five cents or three for a dollar, to wipe the hypocritical tears out of their eyes, or that the eighty-five cent butter gets so strong they will have to use it for atomic bombs. A tip to the would-be wise ones who did not attend. You missed a real treat by sneaking home or wherever you went.

We wonder if the two brass hats in the plant protection dept., are bed fellows of Lewandowski so they can whisper would-be secrets in each others ears. Or maybe they want to become glorified errand boys like the one bird is.

We have been seeing two people shaking hands quite often lately, and we know it is not a political handshake, as one comes from the Credit Union and the other from 504. Maybe it is going to be a permanent banking idea. He hands out the checks, she hands out the sheckels. How about it, Don and Kate?

Clarence Standley of Dept. 401, who lives on Stearns Rd., near Lake Erie, raises mosquitoes for the market. They are the large bloodsucking variety. He claims they are so large he is teaching them to pick apples.

Have you visited the new time keeping dept. in 90 Bldg.? Everything is OK except for the lack of fans. We have nice clean floors, glass, woodwork and faces. You will be greeted by Harry Shaffer, our leader, and nine other fine Union brothers.

The grandfather and mother story uncovered a great grandfather in Brother Romey Hiser of Dept. 324. The big event took place July 5th and it was a six and a half pound boy.

Did you ever stop and think that you can replace safety glass but never your eyes if you should have an accident? Why not ask your foreman for a pair of new goggles and not take any chances. Have you renewed your membership in the PAC.? You should do so at once and stop your top officers from worryig how to put on a political campaign to elect our kind of people to political offices. Sydney Hillman was a martyr in your cause, because of overwork. Let's all join and do a good job this year.

Apologies are in order for Ted Fox, Dept. 163, 2nd shift, as he did not leave the big ones in the lake. He caught a 6-lb., large mouth bass Sunday, June 21st, in Sand Lake. Dick Gosser and Toots Martin, please take notice. Others can catch them, why can't you?

Correction. — We mean calendar days and not work days, when referring to the 5 days grace to report back to work from a leave of absece.

Champion Unit Sparklets

Attention Champion Employees, plans for our third annual picnic are under way and very shortly we will let you know the time, place and date.

The Picnic Committee

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We are proud to inform our members that the Champion Unit was one of largest attending shops in the city at the mass demonstration last Tuesday. Nice going—that shows the old Champion Spirit.

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Just a reminder, check and see that your International Assessment is paid.

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Don' forget the Annual Golf Tournament that is planned for August 24, at Sunningdale Golf Course. Refreshments and prizes galore. Entry fee $1.50. We'll be looking for you so get your party arranged as soon as possible.

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Who is the girl on the packing machine in department "D" who was so excited over her new "rod and reel" that she fell in the lake at Port Cilnton?? Speaking of falling in the drink congratulations to Bea Mullin who plunged into the sea of matrimony Saturday, July 20!

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Clem Sobczak steward in dept. "D" 2nd shift was the proud father of a bouncing baby girl, Saturday, July 20, 1946. Take it easy on the beer Clem and don't forget the CIGARS and CANDY.

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Mr. Herbert Jennings better known as the saw-dust kid in department "E" really worked up a sweat one day last week. Watch your heart Herb.

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Cap Andrews is taking a trip to Canada on his Vacation by boat. He is planning to rough it just like in the old days. What did Robinson Crusoe have that Cap hasn't except a beard? Smooth sailing Cap.

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What is this I hear about four girls from dept. "E' 'having to be escorted on their picnic by an officer of the law. Were you having trouble, girls, with the wolves in the Zoo?

Sid Jacobs Opens Market

The many friends of Sid Jacobs who have missed his smiling face and keen eye at the inspection bench at Willys-Overland will be glad to know that Sid is in business for himself now at 309 Chittenden Ave. Sid wants everyone to drop in and inspect his fie foods and meats.

National Supply Unit News

By J. McKnight

Our committee had a long fight and even went to arbitration where the company lost the decision, for the property rights of the women, and men over seventy issues. The company even went so far as to assign jobs for those who were coming back. Now the question arrises "What went wrong with this set-up? "Remember that no one from management's side or no one from the union's side has any right to bargain away or deny the property rights of any member in good standing in this union.

We are not in a position to state whether or not production soared to any new records, but the shop did function rather smoothly and with less arguments in the past two weeks, than it has for some time. Mr. Eyler was on his vacation. Wonder if he is taking a post graduate course in S.T.D. Come back with a smile and a few words of encouragement for the boys Bill.

Virgil Heckman, Timekeeping dept., went on his vacation this week. He actually started last week when he bought two new tires for his car, put them on and loaded up his car Wednesday night, got up Thursday morning, both tires flat. Typical vacation luck Virgil.

Here is something for you to think about these hot days. While we are working in the heat all day, we can be thinking what we will do in the evening to get cooled off. While we are relaxing, you might think about your committeemen who are sitting in some conference room guiding and bargaining for your welfare at the shop. These boys deserve a lot of credit, especially the last couple of months, when meetings and conferences came a dime a dozen and lasted for hours. We know from experience the tough job it is in hot weather.

Again we must bring up the urgent need for new and old members for our drum corps. The unit has bought and paid for a lot of drums and other equipment that should be used. Parade season is here and we should make a fine showing in the line of march. Contact Ed Birtwhistle and help strike up the band.

Robert Welton, maintenance dept., has left the shop to go into business. We wish him the best of success in his new venture.

Elmer Eck, Peter Szwart, R. Buhman and Ray Deiter are confined to the hospitals for illness. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Ed Anderson, A. Riese, R. Webber and H. Champnoise are confined to their respective homes for illness, and G. Hoffman of Dept. 84 has a bad leg infection. We sure hope to see you around the shop soon boys.

Ragging the Scale

By Elsie Jaye

Neal O'Hara was lucky enough to get Fred Allen to write his column while he vacationed, but we hit the jackpot for ours, and thanks a lot. In fact the first team seems inferior to the second, but then we can't seem to find the suddsy inspiraion that they had.

Friend Chet Wierszewski looks like a Zombie going somewhere to Zomb, but then he just got back from a wedding trip and vacation combined, so best wishes to both, especially to the new Mrs.! Incidentally, he tells me their trouble is that they don't have many expenses? WHEW!

A. S. Finkenbiner and Gail Powers are back from Canada with fly-bite scars and a whopper about the one that got away account of the other, depending on who tells it.

Herm Sperr spent little out side of money on his vacation, with a trip to the Canadian Plant thrown in. He tells me it is an education, which I may sample on my next.

LeRoy Tippin spent his about 500 (feet) from his home. I believe they call it the J & J bar.

Clarence Basinger apparently moved the lawn for a twist, with a pinkish tinge to his baby white epidermis as evidence.

Larry Roper is very quiet, leading us to be suspicious.

Tim Hartigan and Harvey Parker spent their time campaigning for the stewardships of the new combined Dept. of finish grind, Levers, and old 7M. With success, too, I might add since they won, with the dog catcher running close 2nd.

The new foreman of the above mentioned Dept., Connie Dennehy, has been called more names than any man I know, viz: Dinny, Deny, Donahue, Donahey, etc. Of course they are only the parlor variety! He tells me he spent a few days helping one of his family repair his car, with many bilsters and scratches as evidence. He said it had been a long time. Bragging or complaining, Connie?

Chuck Cramer spent his, "booting" in Oklahoma, swearing he is going back!

H. A. Loy spent his riding his scooter up and down Sylvania Ave. bent on the destruction of the three dogs that chased him all the way to work one morning.

Calrence Gradwohl and Harry Gruber spen theirs trying to decide on some place to spend it.

And so it went, along with Shepherd, Warren, Garns, et al. Well, that's one way to keep us from wanting their jobs.

Clyde Justus has been appointed to represent PAC in the plant, and as a tribute to the truly lamented Sidney Hillman, we ask you to join if you do not already belong, and if you know AYBODY who does not, send him to Clyde, or tell Clyde who and where he is. We REALLY need PAC now, and by the same token PAC needs US. It will be the best spent 'Buck' you ever circulated, possibly even shading your Union dues.

By the way be SURE you have your dues card to date, or at least not more than two (2) months in arrears the first of August. Your seniority is at stake, and we advisedly warn you that it can, and probably would mean your job. In fact we are commencing to wonder just how deeply rooted is even Mr. McIntosh! Raggedly yours.

Elsie

PS.—Paul Kohler spent his vacation moving his family from Newton Center, Mass. to Toledo, and we take this opportunity to welcome them, and hope they find us friendly.

AND—We were just informed that Harold Billheimer stayed in his own front yard—feeding the squirrels, of course! (Nuts to you).

The Acklinite

By Martin Bachli

Through the united efforts of your committee, they were successful in having the standards lowered on three big line jobs, the Tecumseh plate and the Ingersol and Bendix panels. They also are going to get a record of all jobs and rates.

We see that George Szafranski is thinking seriously of ending it all. He recently bought himself a motor scooter. The insurance companies have all turned him down as too great a risk.

One of our die makers recently had the time of his life fishing for pickerel on the reefs. He is Bill Meyers. Observers with him say that he almost fell out of the boat from laughing every time he pulled one in. Keep the good sport up Bill, it is one of the finest.

Do not forget to attend the meeting Saturday at the Union Hall a 2 P. M. July 27th. It is very important that you be there.

Commutator Comments

John Kiplinger went home with a very big headache, we wonder how much a headache that big costs.

Gus De Cola is waiting for his wife to return home from her vacation, he says she promised to bring him a present to replace the one he got for Christmas he has that one about worn out.

We had a good turnout at the courthouse, but there were fifteen people that were not big enough to go down and represent themselves. I don't see how anyone that will not help themselves can raise so much hell in the shop and ask the union to go all out to help them. (I don't believe these are Union people).

Bob Daughter's is going hungry since the girls on the test bench stopped buying him candy.

Carl Noss came to work with his face all banged up. He says he was teaching his son to box. It's a good story but who believes it?

Roman Miller took off last Friday to find a house to move into, but the fish were biting so well at Grayling, Mich., he forgot about the house.

If Ed Schmidt wants anyone to work with him he will have to quite dropping things on their feet.

Norm Hinz ran out of chickens so he had to come back to work.

Don't give up on your price strike, stick it out and you won't have to draw your few dollars out of the bank.

We didn't know we had any Indians in our shop, but it turned out we have two good-looking squaws in our assembly dept.

Bill Garling has found a new way to mix drinks. Have any of you ever strained your drink through a paper bag.

Don't forget there is going to be a Labor Day parade, so don't make any other plans, we want a big turnout this year.

Spicer Unit News

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

It seems that our efforts to raise wages on a national scale, has affected Congress, so that now they are even willing to raise old age pensions. Not on a grand scale, but at least it is an effort to assist these persons who receive merely a pittance in our land of plenty.

In order to provide for an increase of $3 per month for aid to dependent children under the Social Security Act. Provided that, for each month during the period beginning July 1, 1946 and ending June 30, 1949, the amount otherwise paid to any State shall be increased by $3 for each individual.

e. Provides for an increase of $5 per month in the Federal share of payments for aid to the blind.

In the Congressional Record vol. 92, No. 123, page 7576, an amendment to the Social Security Act is added to the effect, that all forty-eight States are covered by this Act. Also that an advisory council be formed and each member of said council receive $25.00 per day for services.

There seemed to be some dissension in Congress as to how large this advisory council should be, someone even suggested it might become a major political party. Our "friend" Mr. Taft even suggested the Federal government may have to take over the United States Employment Service.

It was finally agreed to leave the most important factors up to the jurisdiction of each individual state.

So, slowly but surely we may achieve some of labor's goal towards social security for all. The Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill which has been referred to the Finance Commiittee in the Senate, and to the Ways and Means Comm., in the House, seems to be our best solution.

This Bill provides for —

a. Old age and disability benefits, ranging from $35 to $120 per month, depending on years of coverage.

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e. Medical, maternity and hospital benefits with choice of your own doctor or hospital.

f. A national employment service.

The efforts of our recent Congress to add to the Social Security Act, are certainly meager, in comparison to the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill.

Let's all put our best efforts forth and get this bill approved and passed.

If any additional information concerning the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill is desired, please contact the Spicer Legislative Committee, care of Spicer Unit Exec. Board, Bennett Rd., Toledo 12, Ohio.

By Gladys Oberhaus,
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Who Controls Prices?

It is now apparent that the compromise OPA Bill agreed upon by House and Senate conferees is, in reality, nothing more or less than a bill providing for decontrol of prices placing authority in the hands of Secretary of Agriculture Anderson who certainly cannot be called a friend of price control.

In the end, it is the people themselves who must settle the political issue involved in the handling of the economic question of who controls prices. But even the political reprisals which are sure to occur in November against some of the members of Congress who have voted contrary to the wishes of the majority will not solve the problem unless concerted action is taken on the economic front to force down prices.

A price control bill aimed at de-control and collusion rather than competition among food and other commodity producers cannot possibly bring about stabilization of prices.

Lowered food prices can and will only come about when the people who must purchase these commodities act in unison and restrain their purchases to an absolute minimum.

While the demonstration here last week pointed up the fight which is now under way in Toledo and elsewhere throughout the nation, it is but the signal and a token of the action which must be continued against rising prices. To make the protest effective requires more than a mere voice protest. It requires the cooperation of all consumers regardless of whether or not they belong to organized labor.

How effective the nation-wide buyers' strike has been is reflected in many markets where slight declines have occurred in commodity prices. However, the cuts which have already taken place are the merest scratching of the surface and the fight must go on until those who control prices are forced to make more radical downward changes based upon the supply of available foodstuffs and other commodities.

Those who control the markets have demonstrated in a most forceful manner that their contention that competition and supply and demand are nothing but the formula of an economy, which, regardless of its claims to the contrary has changed from a competitive to a form based upon collusion.

One does not need to be an economist to see that the same type of unity which existed among the food producers and processors during their strike of withholding commodities from the market did not end when OPA died for lack of the presidential signature on the emasculated price control bill. Price fixing and price control rather than competition governed the action of those who controlled the food market, particularly that of meats. This despite the fact that the producers flooded the markets with cattle and hogs.

And in the face of the united action shown by business in its attempt to gouge exorbitant prices of the American people, there can be but one remedy—that of united action on the part of the consumers themselves.

Congress has demonstrated its unwillingness to go along with the people. Business has shown its unwillingness to let competition operate freely with supply and demand. The answer, if there is one to the situation, rests squarely in the hands of the people themselves.

Those who have taken part in demonstrations protesting prices, as well as those who object to being held up without increases in their incomes, have it within their power to stage a real strike against the profiteers and gougers who now are offering them food and other commodities in large amounts. Buy only what you have to and let the surplus force down prices.

Failing to unite against the profiteers, everyone who works for a living is going to discover that their troubles are only beginning and that they will be forced to pay more and more for less and less.

War Assets Corporation has a happy-minded soul doing its press releases. Last week he wrote that, "Approximately 20,000 surplus bombers are being offered for sale 'on the hoof' for their scrap and salvage value." We're waiting breathlessly to see whether next week he has for sale 20,000 cows "on the wing."

Credit for the year's outstanding contribution to new types of strike strategy goes to the United Public Workers-CIO of Louisville, Ky. When the city aldermen refused the garbage collectors a 20c an hour raise, a union delegation visited Mayor E. L. Taylor and told him that the union had voted not to collect garbage from each block where a city alderman lived.

What's New?

By *Edward Duck*
Representative
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UAW-CIO

THE DAY OF RECKONING

Not so long ago, when a guy was a horsethief or a plain, out-and-out skunk, his friends and neighbors would string him up to the nearest tree limb and let him dangle. Now they run him for Congress, eulogize him in the public press, and pour forth epithets of praise when he kicks the bucket at the age of 83, after lounging around the nation's capitol for forty years.

During the war it wasn't patriotic to speak ill of our public servants. Their integrity was simply out of this world. Patrick Henrys, Tom Paines, Jeffersons and Nathan Hales, yessir!

Servicemen were forbidden to speak disrespectfully of any congressman, governor, army official, et al. Taft could cheat them out of their right to vote, Rankin could stymie them on their servicemen's benefits, Bilbo could defy every tenet of democracy they were supposed to be fighting to uphold, but they could do nothing and say nothing. Just keep on with the war!

Unfortunately for the more aggressive among us, there are laws against stringing up crooked, greedy politicians. However, there is an election coming up. The picture doesn't look too bright right now, when you consider that guys like Rankin and Bilbo have won the nomination in their respective states. A few scoundrels have been relegated to the political trash pile, such as O'Daniel, Wheeler, and her royal highness, Mrs. Luce. But the job to be done is a big one, and piecemeal attempts to improve the Congress will not be sufficient to ward off the trouble that is brewing.

We must have full employment, full production, full consumption, and of course the full pocketbook which will make this possible. Wages, prices, and profits must be in proper ratio to each other. We cannot have prosperity without full production, nor full production without a market of consumers eager to buy the goods we make. To achieve this goal we must have the lowest possible prices that will offer a fair profit to the manufacturer and the businessman, yet the highest wages business can afford to pay. Otherwise the consumer will not be able to take the goods off the market and maintain employment.

Congress is at fault. If anyone thinks these people are representing the best interests of those who elected them they had better study up on their voting records. This goes for ninety percent of the Republicans, including Ramey and Taft, plus a goodly share of the Democrats, particularly the southern American Fascists.

People are aware of the critical situation. At least they are partially aware. They don't like the daylight-robbery prices they are paying, but the worst part of it is that the depression that will follow the inflation will make the last one mild in comparison.

On the subject of gold and those it tempts and treats well a guy named Brann had these words to say shortly before the turn of the century:

"The dollar is indeed 'almighty.' It is the Archimedian lever that lifts the ill bred boor into select society and places the ignorant saphead in the United States Senate. It makes presidents of stuffed prophets, governors of intellectual geese, philosophers of fools, and gilds infamy itself with supernal glory. It wrecks and altars of innocense and pollutes the fanes of the people, breaks the sword of justice and binds the Goddess of Liberty with chains of gold."

Well spoken!

The ony answer right now is to write to Washington, buy nothing that isn't absolutely necessary, talk up the situation, study the candidates for the coming fall elections, and attend your union meetings to keep posted.

Above all, join the PAC and join it now! It is the most important function of the union today. Let's organize politically and keep the gains we made economically — until recently, we mean!

Toledo's Plan For Industrial Harmony

— The LMC

By Jerome Gross
Executive Secretary
Labor-Management-Citizens Committee

Editor's Note: During the absence of Ollie Pecord, who is on vacation, the guest writer this week is Jerome Gross.

A fair question from anyone in organized labor would be — "Just what is the Labor-Management-Citizens Committee?"

Who set it up, how does it work, what does it want to accomplish?

It's not hard to answer such questions.

First of all, the LMC is a committee of 18 Toledo citizens, equal representatives of labor, of management and of public.

These people were appointed by the Mayor of Toledo, and then spent more than a year working out a method of seeking industrial harmony that would be acceptable to both sides concerned and safeguard the interest of the public. Labor had a voice in setting up the LMC charter, which is the "Bible" of the LMC. So did management, and so did the public.

Briefly, what the LMC wants to accomplish is industrial harmony in Toledo. That means, as the charter states, more than elimination of strikes, slow-downs and lockouts. It means a practical, common-sense recognition of the rights of both employer and employes, and their joint responsibility to the citizens as a whole. It provides that "management acknowledges the rights of workers to form and join labor organizations" and that labor recognizes management's right to direct operations of the enterprise.

The LMC realizes that differences will arise between the union and the company. But it believes that it's best for everyone if such issues can be settled without work stoppages, which are costly to all sides. If dispute can be ironed out without loss of production, loss of wages and profits — everyone has gained.

Labor might well ask at this point—"Does the LMC take away our right to strike?"

The answer is a big "NO." It takes away no rights. All participation in the LMC means is recognition of its aims and the taking advantage of its services to try to settle issues the cheaper way — the negotiation way — first. Conciliation has long been recognized as helpful — and the LMC conciliation and mediation approach is, we feel, an improvement upon previous arrangements. Why?

Well first of all, it's not one man. It works in panels. Labor has a representative on that panel. So has management. A public member serves as the balance between the two sides.

That panel has the thinking of both sides in a dispute at hand because it is made up of men from both points of view. It has in the past proved fair and effective in a number of instances. It has been able to readily find the point of agreement and to bring the opposing parties to a settlement.

All this is done without compulsion. The LMC is strictly a voluntary operation. It does not and it cannot force labor or management to do something. It's strictly a free, democratic proposition for a free, democratic community.

Expenses of the LMC permanent office are provided for by the city council and its office is located in the City Fire and Polce Alarm Building.

Applcations for participation in the charter are being made both by unions and companies, and when all have had an opportunity to get their applications in, a certificate of participation will be issued by the committee.

Commmittee members devote a lot of time to their mediation jobs — and they do it for nothing. Richard Gosser, Lawrence Steinberg, and Edward T. Cheyfitz, until he left Toledo some time ago, have represented CIO on the LMC committee from its inception. Three AFL members represented their group.

The Labor-Management-Citizens committee is not something foisted upon Toledo workers and companies by an outside group. It's something they built themselves to service a community need and something they keep on running. For the LMC operation is directed solely by the LMC committee, as a voluntary, Toledo method to settle industrial differences to the greatest benefit of labor-managment and the public.

The Danger of Over-Reaching

By Ruth Taylor

One of the most harmful efects of group thinking as its tendency to create over-reaching ambitions within the group itself. That is, the group may start with a good idea, a worthwhile fight for a deserved right, but once this is attained, its members are not content. They have tasted the wine of the power of teamwork, and they over-reach themselves to go out after privileges. Then, in their search for power, they, too often, in turn trample on the rights of others.

Again and again in history has this happened, from the Rule of the Ten in Rome in the year 367 B. C.—and even before—up to the present time. There is nothing so intolerant as the intolerance of those who have fought their way to power. They have so concentrated on their own struggle that they have been prone to overlook the fact that other people have to live too.

Up to now one of the great advantages of our republic has been that it was never static long enough for any group to keep control too long. The country was too big, too varied in its resources, to be anything but fluid. Founded upon religious freedom, religious autocracy has never been allowed a foothold. Not erected upon a class structure, it has not divided into classes —for in each generation men have found their own level as individuals, not as a group or groups. The clasic phrase is "three generations from shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves."

Lately, however, there has been an increasing tendency to separate into groups, or cliques, governed by ideas. This trend is definitely dangerous—for any group which claims unique revelations or political preferment is a divisive influence aiming at physical, economic or mental domination over others. It is the breeder of dissension, intolerance and trouble among our people.

When Americans put the interests of their own group before the interests o fAmerica as a whole, they are setting up in our country the breeding grounds for disputes, the like of which have laid waste Europe for enturies. Whether those interests be special privileges for labor; whether they be special consideration for any religious group or special favors for any minority, they still spell over-reaching. There is no group whose record is guiltless in this respect.

Justice for all, equal in its application, should be our aim as Americans. Before we make a demand, we should figure out if we are asking for a favor or a right—and if we are willing that the same right or favor be granted to everyone. The primary fallacy in logic is arguing from he individual to the group.

We are a government of the people, by the people and for the people. But we can fulfill our destiny as a nation only as the individual citizens, acting not as groups, but as Americans, work for the good of all the people—for all America

Political Action

by
Clayton
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Chairman
of the
Political Action Committee

In Columbus on the 22nd of July a group of 1000 delegates at a PAC conference learned a very valuable lesson in political action. The lesson is that the amount of pressure any group can bring to bear upon elected officials is directly in proportion to the amount of votes said group can deliver.

In other words the CIO is quite capable of organizing lobbies to appear before the national and state legislatures and explain what we propose in the way of legislation. The CIO is also quite able to organize rallies in support of progressive legislation. In addition the CIO has formulated and is promulgating a legislative program designed to provide for jobs at living wages plus adequate social security for all. Yet it must be recognized that altho such activities are important and essential they are not effective enough to insure passage of social legislation.

The PAC conference of July 22nd adopted resolutions calling for state laws to provide effective price and rent control. A committee was appointed to call on Governor Lausche and present our request that the special session of the Ohio legislature which was to convene on July 25th, consider the following program.

1) A rent freeze as of June 10th, 2) some needed state price controls, 3) an increase in compensation and pensios to prevet suffering because of soaring prices.

The governor told the committee that he thought a 10% increase in rent was justified. Also that he had intended to present bills to increase compensation and pensions, but having been informed that the legislators were not disposed to consider any issue other than rent control, he was not going to present these bills.

This answer reveals many things. For one thing a caucus of the state legislature must have met and given the governor to understand that the legislators did not choose to take up any issues other than rent control. These are the supposed representatives of the people. For another thing, it is equally clear that the governor is not disposed to propose legislation which he has been assured will not be passed.

The governor, who is supposed to represent the people, does not want to propose legislation that the legislators do not want.

The vast majority of the people of Ohio would benefit by passage of this legislation that the governor does not want to present because the legislature is not disposed to pass it. A small but wealthy minority benefit by this legislation being squashed.

The Columbus conference re-emphasizes in a very clear fashion that the chief responsibility of the CIO-PAC is to get out the liberal vote on election day.

That responsibility we must fulfill by making our Ward and Township organization effective. There is some discussion among labor groups as to whether or not it is feasable to promote a third party movement at this time. The crying need right now is an effective Ward and Township organization. No political organization can possibly be successful until the Ward and Township clubs succeed in getting the liberal vote out to the polls.

In order to effectuate our program we need more members in the CIO-PAC. If you are not a member join now and become active in your neighborhood Ward or Township PAC club.

It is also very important to bombard the legislators with mail letting them know what we want in the way of legislation. Elsewhere in this issue is the Flash From PAC which tells the story on legislation. Everyone should write to their representatives on the bills referred. The Senators are James Huffman and Howard Taft. The Representatives are Homer Ramey and George Bender. Address mail, to Senate Office Bldg. or House Office Building.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser

Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

At the time of the Cleveland UAW board meeting, I made the statement that if prices went up that wages must also be raised.

Those who have watched the Auto Workers for the past few years know that we have tried to hold the price line rather than increase wages and that we only demanded more money when we were unable to hold price levels in line with wages.

Once again, because of the failure of Congress to hold price controls, we are faced with a situation of rapidly increasing prices which we cannot control and which shrink our incomes to the point where the majority of the workers cannot live as weel as they did during the war. When prices get out of line with wages as radically as they have since OPA was allowed to die, we have no choice but to force increases in our wages.

Congress, which is torn apart on the matter of providing the country with a price control bill which will really control, cannot be depended upon to do the job. And we cannot wait for the slow moving House and Senate as prices go up. We must have our wages increased as soon as we can because we know from the past performances of Congress that we can expect nothing from it except a harder way to go.

THE CRISIS

This is part of the crisis which I reported in the Cedar Point regional conference last month. It is the crisis which grinds the workers between high prices and inadequate wages and leads to confusion and unrest from which the entire country is bound to suffer.

We recognize that nothing is gained when rapidly rising prices force wages to go up. The worker can buy no more than he did before the price and wage raises, if he can purchase as much and is handling more money which gets him no more food, clothing and other commodities than he had before.

We do not consider an increase in wages an advance unless that increase will put more goods in the hands of the workers and other consumers. Of what value is an increase of 18 or even 30 cents an hour to the worker when he is forced to pay higher prices for food, clothing and rent which can be manipulated by those who control the markets?

THE TEST

This is the crisis which will test the workers and plain people of America and determine if we are going to have governmental controls until such time that the economy can operate, if it can operate under the laws of supply and demand.

I recognize that there are many people who do not believe in any kind of controls under any circumstances, but I also recognize that unless some controls are held over those who are hungry for quick profits that we are heading for serious trouble which will make the strikes which brought about the 18½ cents an hour wage increase seem like a mild affair.

We have reached the point where there must be a showdown. We are going to require higher wages, but most of all we are going to demand and make every effort to get back price control and protection from the profit-hungry and greedy operators who are now forcing us to fight.

From The Desk

of
Melvin Schultz
President,
Local 12, UAW-CIO

Several months ago, in this column, I predicted a reoccurrence of the crash which most everyone still remembers which occured in 1928. Of course, the new crash or starting of a depression would undoubtedly have a somewhat different procedure as times and regulations have changed. It is now with mixed emotions of regret to be faced with this and with the self satisfaction of being able to say "I told you so." I come to this point because there are now these very same predictions being expressed by economists and those in the headquarters of our government who are most familiar with what is transpiring in our country.

It seems that their thoughts now would have it that farm prices will go up until the harvest of next year, at which time they will crash. Along with this, there are those people who believe that it is necessary to have such a crash in order that a normal period of prosperity can be reached. Their chief worry is of a political nature and what will Labor do if they execute their plans? Will our country turn over to a Third Party composed of Labor, small business and liberal thinkers?

If such a crash should occur and should last over any great period of time during which national elections are held, more than once I can foresee where there will be of necessity a more radical change in the social and economic laws of our country than any which were passed during the New Deal Era.

To offset the planned economy of the conservatives, who believe that people should not have economic freedom because it does not make them good workers, it is now imperative that public works projects be planned and designed and that Congress set up a commission responsible to the President which will have appropriations approved for their use, to set into action immediate employment for the approximate 9,300,000 families who will be immediately affected by this anticipated crash in our economic system. My uppermost thought for these public works projects is in the hospitalization and medical field, with highways and transportation second, then educational and recreational projects.

Yes, our Congress should wake up to the needs of these families constituting almost 25 per cent of our total population.

Rain-Soaked Sequence Opens At Paramount Theater

By Burny Zawodny

A rain-filled, mud-splashed gutter is not the usual place to find glamour, but recenly, on Warner Bros.' back lot, they had a gutter full of glamour.

The gutter parallels a deserted street in a New York water-front scene. The glamour gathered for the occasion was made up of Janis Paige, Dane Clark and Zachary Scott, headliners in the new Warner melodrama, "Her Kind of Man," now at the Paramount.

Burny Zawodny

A rare and exciting glimpse back into the glitter of yesterday awaits those moviegoers who visit the Paramount Theatre where Warner Bros.' hardboiled and suspenseful new drama, "Her Kind Of Man," is now showing. Starring a trio of bright young screen newcomers, Dane Clark, Janis Paige and Zachary Scott, the film is a graphic and moving portrayal of the life of an arch villian, as meretricious as the times in which he lived—and as doomed to oblivion.

Basically as much a portrait of the late Twenties as it is the individual sory of Steve Maddox (Zachary Scott), the picture picks up the threads of Steve's life a a point where social extravaganzas have reached their peak, where speakeasy peepholes confront a restless society at every turning, where reckless living is the keynote of the hour. Faced with an offer of steady employment in the Chicago night club owned by his sister (Faye Eemerson) and her husband (George Tobias), Steve declines in favor of the more exciting prospect of gambling his way quickly to the top. Nor does he heed the entreaties of his beautiful sweetheart, Georgia King (Janis Paige), torch-singer in Joe's club, to bridle his talents to the slower—but surer—way of honest hard work.

Elaborately produced by Alex Gottlieb, the film was adapted by Gordon Kahn and Leopold Atlas from an original story by Charles Hoffman and James V. Kern. Some hauntingly familiar music includes many old time favorites, in addition to those mentioned above, as well as some excellent original background music contributed by Franz Waxman. Orchestral arrangements were executed by Leonid Raab under Leo F. Forbstein's direction.

Dance Star's Voice Nimble As Feet

HOLLYWOOD — Daance star Gene Kelly uses his voice as adeptly as he does his feet and before starting his first postwar screen role at M-G-M in "Life's For the Living," he found time to record several albums of childrens tales for Columbia. Included in the series are such juveniles classics as "Pied Piper," "Winnie the Pooh," "Little Red Riding Hood" and "Peter Rabbitt."

They are set for release and sale at Christmas.

Magazine Readers Vote 3 MGM Stars As 'Best'

Hollywood (Special)—Hailed as Hollywood's foremost screen stars, Clark Gable, Van Johnson, and Margaret O'Brien were awarded special gold statuettes July 10 at a dinner presentation sponsored by Screen Guide, a film magazine.

Readers selected Gable as the all-time favorite star. Johnson was named favorite star of 1945. Miss O'Brien was voted the best performance by child for her portrayal in M-G-M's "Our Vines Have Tender Grapes."

A large group of Hollywood notables attended the ceremonies and dinner at the Beverly Hills home of Atwater Kent.

MGM Musical Filming At Michigan Resort

HOLLYWOOD (Special)—"This Time for Keepe," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's new technicolor musical film, went before the cameras at Mackinac Island, Michigan, on July 15. Stellar cast of the picture includes Esther William, Jimmy Durante, and Lauritz Melchoir, with Johnnie Johnston, Dick Simmons, Sharon McManus and Moyna Macgill heading the support cast.

Following the location filming at the Michigan resort spot, the company will return to Hollywood.

With Those Legs? It's Really A Pity!

HOLLWOOD — Marlene Dietrich will have only nine costume changes for her role as a fortune-telling gypsy in Paramount's "The Golden Earrings," but those nine changes have created a stupendous problem for Mary Kay Dodson, studio fashion designer.

Seven individually-designed petticoats will be worn by Miss Dietrich with each of her costume changes, making a grand total of 63 heavily-ruffled, multi-colored petticoats, each of which has to be separately designed.

Because there are scenes in "The Golden Earrings" which show Miss Dietrich in various petticoat-less stages, each of the underskirts will be fashioned of reducing thicknesses, with the seventh being of ultra-sheer material.

BARRY'S FIRST WORDS

Barry Fitzgerald's first talking appearance on the stage was in Richard Sheridan's "The Critics." In the play, Barry was cast as a sentry with one line of dialogue: "Tis meet it should." feet-seven in her stocking feet.

POWDER SHAKER

Ann Savage puts her face powder in a salt shaker and sprinkles her powder puff as if she were salting a steak—if she had a steak. She uses the simple trick on the set of Paramount's "Jungue Flight."

Heard On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — Walter Pidgeon is the object of the affections of Claudette Colbert and June Allyson in "The Secret Heart" and hot words pass between the two girls in several scenes. Entrance of Robert Sterling and Patricia Medina interrupt one of Miss Allyso's tirades. It is a paricularly emotioal and dramatic sequence for June, and Director Robert Z. Leonard has her go from one member of the group to another, talking continuously.

"That's right, June, he directs, "face Claudette."

A moment later he orders:

"June, now face Bob and next time, Pat."

At the end of the scene, June faces Leonard and observes:

"In this picture, every time I turn my back, I get a close-up."

The Crew Chiefs

These four sharp gentlemen of swing are the featured vocal team to appear with the Glenn Miller orchestra at the Zoo Theatre, Sunday, Aug. 4th.

The show will present a swing concert of all the famous Glenn Miller arrangements and will be followed by an outdoor dance.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Judging by the lovelight in Janis Paige's eyes, Zachary Scott is apparently "Her Kind Of Man." The pair are teamed in Warner Bros.' new drama by that name, currently at the Paramount. Also starred in the film is Dane Clark.

Alan Ladd Spends Hectic First Night

HOLLWOOD — Alan Ladd's first night spent in his unfinished ranch house in Hidden Valley proved a nerve-racking experience

A section of the temporary roofing over his and wife Sue Carol's bedroom caved in, luckily missing the sleepers. Later the Paramount star was awakened by a commotion i nthe corral where his throughbred mares are kept and Alan sighted a mountain lion which fled before he could get his rifle.

To cap everything, a pipe connection in the plumbing which he had installed during the day failed, and water flooded the kitchen. Alan, star of "The Blue Dahlia," gave up sleep as a bad job and spent the few hours until daybreak repairing the plumbing.

TALL STAR

One of the tallest actresses in Hollywood is .Hillary Brooke, star of "I Cover Big Town," Pine-Thomas production for Paramount. Hillary stands five

MGM Gets New French Film To Show In U. S.

HOLLYWOOD—"Angels from the Streets," a new French film, has been acquired by M-G-M for release in America. The story deals with fallen women, was written by Jean Giraudoux and was recently awarded France's Grand Prix Du Cinema.

It will be the third Gallic release in M-G-M's program to enable American audiences to view the most noteworthy films made in other countries. The first, "It Happened At the Inn," is in the eighth month of a record breaking run. The second "Stormy Waters," is in its fourth week in New York.

"Angels from the Streets" will get a nearly fall release.

Filming Story of Newspaper Proves a Ticklish Job

HOLLYWOOD—Filmland's demand for authenticity reaches its peak whenever studios set out to film a newspaper story. Picture makers know if any flaw is found in a movie depicting the news gatherers at work, members of the Fourth Estate will flock to their typewriters in protest.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is no exception. That studio is about to film a romance of 1905 New York against a background of a bustling daily newspaper. Jan Clayton, Broadway's darling since her success in "Carousel" and "Show Boat," plays the title role of one of New York's first girl reporters.

Longhand Scribes

Much of the action takes place in the city room of a metropolitan daily—and the studio is being careful to check and recheck every item in the picture. Experience has proved no newspaperman can be as vitriolic in his condemnation of an error as one who has been in the business since 1905!

Since the picture takes place before the use of typewriters in newspaper offices, nary a one will be seen in the picture. Reporters well be depicted writing their stories with pen—in neat Spencerian handwriting. No one, not even the editor, will wear his hat in the office.

Boozy Boys Banned

Furthermore, there won't be a drunken reporter in the picture! Reporters, it is generally conceded are a sober, hard-working clan, not the soaks they have been pictured in some stage plays and movies.

Only one newspaper cliche will be allowed to creep into this new film, "Jenny Was a Lady" an dthat is explained to the satisfaction of the most dyed-in-the-printer's-ink reporter. Jan Clayton, as the girl reporter, does run into the office yelling: "Stop the presses! Tear out the front page!"

Then she turns to the camera and explains: "I've wanted to say that all my life!"

Wasp-Waist Honor Goes To Hepburn

HOLLYWOOD — Wasp-waisted glamour belles of the 1880's would certainly have envied Katharine Hepburn had the star lived in that period. The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress has one of Hollywood's smallest waists—19 inches.

Katharine portrays a St. Louis beauty of that era in "Sea of Grass" and she wears dresses designed for hourglass figures without the popular lacings of that period—an achievement even today!

BIG-TIME SQUAW

As a youngster, Katherine De Mille, daughter of famed Cecil B. DeMille, took delight in playing the Indian girl in backyard "dramas." She just got the biggest role in her screen career—the Indian girl, Hannah, in her father's movie of early America,

Tricky Topside

MARILYN MAXWELL, currently working in M-G-M's "The Show-Off," shows off her clever new Kenneth Hopkins crownless bretton which can be trimmed differently for every occasion. For sportswear Marilyn tops it with a cascade of brown and beige feathers.

SONNY SHAPES UP

Sonny Tufts' latest method of keeping in shape is bicycling up and down the mountain passes in back of his home.

IT'S TRUE! By Wiley Padan

Esther WILLIAMS
SINGS in PORTUGUESE in MGM's ROMANTIC COMEDY "EASY TO WED"!
VAN JOHNSON
BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A DANCER ON BROADWAY BEFORE FINDING FAME IN HOLLYWOOD!
LUCILLE BALL
HAS A ROLLICKING ROLE in THIS Technicolor HIT!
KEENAN WYNN
SAYS "SHE MAY BE HIS WIFE... BUT SHE'S ENGAGED TO ME!"
BEN BLUE
ADDS HIS SAD-FACED DROLLERY TO THIS FILM!
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"EASY TO WED"... MAT 2X

IT'S TRUE! that when Keenan Wynn was flying the Burma-China front on his overseas entertainment tour during the war, his pilot was Chet Walsh, Air Corps flier When they parted, Wynn urged Walsh to look him up should he ever come to Hollywood.

Later, when Wynn was in a serious motorcycle accident, in California, a Los Angeles police officer was the first on the scene of the accident and summoned an ambulance which took Wynn to the hospital! The officer was Walsh . . . just out of the service!

Keenan Wynn will soon be on the screen at Loew's in MGM's new technicolor hit "Easy To Wed."

Loew's VALENTINE — DOORS OPEN DAILY 11 A. M. — Now—2nd Dramatic Week! Lana TURNER John GARFIELD in The POSTMAN ALWAYS RINGS TWICE" — Free Roses, Beauty Kits Permanents, Prizes "Morning Matinee" BEGINS AUGUST 15TH at 10:15 A. M. — Begins THURSDAY! VAN JOHNSON ESTHER WILLIAMS LUCILLE BALL KEENAN WYNN "Easy to Wed"

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation
Sports Editor

Sports is an important means of helping Americans to forget their worries. People need sports as an outlet, just as they need food as an intake. Competitive sports help to keep Americans crazy at the right times and in the right places.

Sports keep our people away from their worries and make us forget, for a while, communism, national socialism and postwar problems. That is a good thing. Men who follow football, baseball, fishing, and hunting do not plan to Sovietize America or to plant Nazi technique in our institutions.

"Birdie" Rule

A fanatical regard for competitive sports out of all proportion to their importance helps to keep Americans crazy at the right times in the right places. A baseball fanatic is much safer than a communist.

If such cities as Berlin, Munich, Hamburg and so on each had a baseball team during spring and summer, and if the Universities of Heidelberg, Vienna, etc. had inter-university football during the fall of the year, perhaps Germany would not have taken to war as a major sport.

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Clarence J. (Jake) Kline, Professor of Mathematics and head coach of baseball at the University of Notre Dame, piloted the 1946 Irish nine to the best season in the past decade during the season recently concluded when the Blue and Gold baseballers won 13 and lost only 6.

Coach Kline's 1946 Notre Dame team developed into one of the best hitting aggregations in the history of the sport at the University. The Irish were at bat 712 times and pounded out 202 safe hits for a team batting average of .284. Afield, they handled a total of 827 chances with only 44 errors for a percentage of .947.

Fans and coaches who watched the Irish nine compile its outstanding season record generally regarded the Notre Dame outfield as one of the finest in collegiate ball today. Two members of the outer garden finished first and second in the individual batting race. Jack Mayo, left fielder from Youngstown, O., paced the Irish with 34 hits in 80 trips to the plate for an average of .425. Included in Mayo's 34 hits were nine doubles and one triple. Following closely on Mayo's heels thru out the season was right-fielder Elmer Raba, of Washington, D. C., who finished the season with 22 hits (including three doubles and a triple) in 58 times at bat for an average of .379. Frank Gilhooley, of Toledo, O., centerfielder, was the only outfielder to drop below the .300 mark, but he still was an outstanding hitter in the clutch.

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And this brings to mind the sad case of the reformed drunk. He underwent a serious operation. The surgeons removed a brass rail which had been pressing on his instep.

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The world is full of willing people. Some are willing to work. Others are willing to let them.

One-Hit Games Featured In 14th Ward Loop

Two one-hit games were the limelight in the 14th Ward Baseball League in games played this week at Scott Park.

Along with those .two standouts was a 17-inning contest which saw Richard Bak going the route to eke out a 12 to 11 verdict over the Tigers in the High School League. His Dodgers scored in their last half of the 17th to register the victory. John Sobczak of the Tigers was the leading batsman among the two teams by clubbing out five hits in nine times at bat.

In the other senior loop, the Yankees had Jerry Kurek in top form again, as they romped over the Cardinals 8-2. Jerry struck out 11 Card batters and Frank Sherman paced the attack for the Yanks by slamming a double with the bases loaded

In the Junior Loop Dave Zdawczyk saw a no-hitter fall by the wayside as John Kubacki connected for the only Brewer hit of the game. Dave's Saints team collected 8 runs to the Brewers 1 for the victory.

Bob Dickford, who has two no-hit games to his credit, came close to marking up his third one as the Mud Hens clubbed in 14 runs to the Millers one for an easy victory. Teammate Jerry Kulwicki helped Dickford's victory by being the leading batsman for the Hens.

The Blues-Red Birds game was postponed.

LOCAL 12 SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JULY 30 AT 6:30 P. M.

Acklin Stamping vs Industrial Rubber at Wilson Park No. 1.
Toledo Tools vs Mather Springs at Wilson No. 2.
Champion Spark Plugs vs Willys Unit at Beatty No. 1.
Save Electrics vs Toledo Scales at Beatty No. 2.
DeVilbiss Unit vs PAC at Willys No. 1.
Gordon Bumpers vs Spicer Unit at Willys No. 3.
Hall Mfg. Unit vs National Supply at Willys No. 4.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, AT 6:30 P M.

Gordon Bumpers vs Champion Spark Plugs at Willys No. 1.
Toledo Tools vs National Supply at Willys No. 3.
Industrial Rubber vs Spicer Unit at Willys No. 4.
PAC vs Hall Mfg. Unit at Highland No. 1.
Save Electrics vs Mather Springs at Highland No. 2.
Willys Unit vs DeVilbiss at Wilson No. 1.
Toledo Scales vs Acklin Stamping at Wilson No. 2.

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August 11 Set For CIO Golf Tournament

Win District Championship

These are the Local 12 players who won the district championship at Norwalk, Ohio, in a tournament conducted by the National Baseball Congress. The players of the revamped team are, front row, left to right: Bill Kelly, p; Pete Severhoff, if; Herman Kander, p; Ed Severhoff, if; Mike Toth, of; and Dwight La Follette, of. Back row: Paul Beamer, p; Dorman Stecker, if; Bob Kiefer, c; Fred Hakius, if; Joe Schuette, Jr., manager; Boris Eloff, p; Wendell Lawrence, if; and Johnny Mertes, c.

DeVilbiss In Local 12 Lead

The four top teams of the Local 12 Softball League are within a very few games of holding first place in the standings. At present, the DeVilbiss Unit is in the lead, closely followed by the hard-working Gordon Bumper nine. Only one-half game separates the two teams with the PAC players being one-half game behind the second place Bumpers.

Harry Hyatt

Also in the running and playing very good ball of late is the Spicer Unit outfit which is making a very strong bid for the lead honors. After a slow early season start, the Spicer team has been winning consistently.

The Tuesday night games were called off on account of the CIO Baseball Night at Swayne Field, but the regular schedule will be followed from now on, according to Harry Hyatt, manager of the Local 12 Softball League.

The rest of the standings in the league are fairly close where a few victories would put the teams in the running for the honors.

The league schedule is now in the second round and rivalry between the Unit teams is becoming more intense as they enter the home stretch in the race for the Local 12 championship. Many good games well worth seeing are being played in this league and many fans are turning out to help their Unit teams to vicory.

Mid-Season Championship Race Tonight

Toledo midget auto racing fans will witness in addition to the regular thrilling Friday program, the mid-season 50-lap championship race with a grand prize and trophy for the winner. The twelve fastest cars of the field of 25 will compete for the championship and will be driven by speed aces from every part of the country, from Los Angeles to Erie, Pa.

Baseball Union Drive Speeded

BOSTON (LPA)—The organizing drive of the American Baseball Guild, first trade union of baseball players in U. S. history, is scheduled to proceed "at an accelerated pace," Robert Murphy, ABG labor relations director disclosed last week.

Murphy declared that in addition to the Pittsburgh Pirates, on which the ABG claims 90% membership, he would announce several other "union clubs" within the next two weeks.

Club owners had a new headache added to their fight against the unionization of players last week. The AMVETS, organization of World War II veterans, announced a fight to the finish against Clark Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators, who rejected a request that a returning veteran be given a year's salary upon release or transfer to a minor league club. The AMVETS were particularly concerned with the case of Bruce Campbell, veteran outfielder, who was given his unconditional release by the Senators and who signed with a minor league team at a greatly reduced salary.

Boston's power at the plate, as the Red Sox bid for the 1946 American League pennant, is reflected in the fact that of the 10 games this season in which the winning team has made 13 or more runs, the Red Sox have turned the trick six times. The 18 runs they made May 18, against St. Louis represents the highest score in the circuit this year.

Local 12 Team Loses To Old Dutch Beers

In an exhibition baseball game which was played at Swayne Field, Tuesday, before the Toledo-St. Paul American Association tilt, the Old Dutch Beers, pacemakers in the Toledo Amateur Baseball Federation, soundly trounced the young Local 12 team by the score of 13 to 2.

Joe Schuette, Jr.

The game was a fine pitching duel between Local 12's Paul Beamer and Frank Knurek, of the Beermen. Knurek had the better of the contest as the Local 12 players became erratic and presented most of the runs to the Old Dutch nine through several errors.

Both teams play in the Federation with the Local 12 team in third place in the American League and the Old Dutch Beers in first place of the National League.

The Local 12 team has been revamped by the new manager, Joe Schuette, Jr. The boys are holding regular workouts and conditioning and speed is the order of the day by the manager.

Local 12 All-Stars To Travel

The coming schedule for the Local 12 All-Star softball team calls for several road contests. A return match with the powerful Ford Local 600 team from Detroit is being arranged.

The team will journey to Tiffin on Thursday, August 1, where they will meet a very good team from that city and will engage the Swanton team on August 19.

Arrangements are under way to bring the 7-Up softballers from Napoleon for a game at Highland Park about the middle of August. The 7-Up team defeated the Local 12 boys at Napoleon and the Unionmen want a chance to even scores.

The strong Ford Local 600 team, which is the class of the Detroit area took both games of a holiday double-header from Local 12 on July 4th in the Motor City. It is hoped that there can be a return match, probably on August 8, under the lights at Highland Park.

Membership for the Local 12 All-Stars has been obtained in the Ohio Amateur Softball Association and the team will take part in the Northwestern Ohio District Tournament as defending champions.

Girls' Softball Team Has New Manager

The Local 12 Girls' All-Star softball team is taking shape under the guidance of Don Fisher, of the Auto-Lite Unit. Fisher has been coaching girls' teams in the Toledo area for several years and was the pilot of the championship former Kieswetter girls' team.

Regular practice sessions are held each Tuesday evening at Willys Park, and Fridays at 6:00 p. m. at Beatty Park.

Any girls who wish to play softball with the Local 12 team are asked to attend these practice sessions. The team will be entered in tournaments and will be engaged in exhibition contests in and near Toledo. The girls' team has played several games to date and has defeated two men's teams.

Storage For Ammunition

Although shotgun ammunition is manufactured to withstand great variations in heat, cold and moisture, it should not be exposed to the elements any more than absolutely necessary. The air in apparently dry basements is somewhat humid and even the best attic is too dry.

The best place to store ammunition in your home is in a closet or cabinet away from a heating unit on the inside wall or a room least subject to temperature or humidity fluctuations.

Second Annual Event At Heather Downs

Tickets are being distributed throughout Toledo's industrial plants for the Second Annual CIO Golf Tournament, which will be held on Sunday, August 11, on the south course of the Heather Downs Country Club. The annual golf classic is sponsored by Local 12, UAW-CIO, and is open to all CIO members.

Eddie Kurek has again been appointed director of golf and announces that the tourney will be another "blind par" event. There will be 30 prizes offered to the winners of the different events on the program which will consist of awards for the longest drive, longest putt, holes in one (if any), and some "door" prizes.

In addition to the blind par, there will be a special prize for the low score of the tournament. This event is expected to bring in some of the best golfing talent in Toledo as most of the best amateurs are CIO members.

A great amount of interest in the tournament is being shown by both men and women members and many groups in the plants are already forming foursomes for the August 11 date.

Any information desired about the tournament, or tickets for those who are unable to secure them in the shops, may be obtained from Ed Kurek, or the sports editor of THE TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL, Main 9126.

14th Ward Baseball Oldtimers To Have Important Meeting

Important business is on the agenda for the regular monthly meeting of the 14th Ward Baseball Oldtimers Association next Wednesday at Tafelski's Palace Recreation, Detroit and Belmont Ave.

The meeting, scheduled for 8:30 p. m., will have up for discussion the stag picnic to be held the first week in September, a field day at Swayne Field and the installation of officers.

Due to the large amount of business, the regular schedule of having notable speakers will be by-passed.

All members are urged to attend and take part in the plans for the event.

Who wrote the famous baseball poem, "Casey at the Bat?"

Ernest Thayer, Worcester, Mass., a Harvard student.

Local 12 Softball Standings

Team	W	L
DeVilbiss Unit	11	2
Gordon Bumpers	11	3
PAC	10	3
Spicer Unit	9	3
Willys Unit	8	5
Mather Springs	8	7
National Supply	7	6
Toledo Scales	7	6
Industrial Rubber	7	7
Champion Spark Plug	7	7
Save Electrics	6	8
Acklin Stamping	4	10
Hall Mfg. Unit	1	13
Toledo Tools	0	14

Fish Die Natural Deaths

Fishermen are responsible for the death of only eight per cent of the crappies that pass out of existence in a year's time, according to a report by W. E. Ricker, director of the Indiana Lake and Stream Survey.

The astonishing facts of fish mortality, recently called to the attention of this news letter by the Fish Management Section of the Ohio Division of Conservation, shows that 64 per cent of the crappies die annually and that 56 per cent of this number die of causes other than the take by fishermen

Who is the oldest active fighter in the USA?

Tiger Jack Fox is in his early 40's.

ENVIABLE RECORD

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